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Brown, Engle endorsed by CIO COPE

REPORT

To Our Reader - Owners

LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE

Next week, May 4-7, the Union Leadership Conference sponsored by the Central Labor Council in cooperation with the UC Industrial Relations Institute will be held at Monterey.

Any stragglers who haven't got in their applications to attend this important gathering should by all means get a move on right now.

The pressure of union business is so great on many union leaders that they work blindly. They do one urgent job immediately after the other. They rarely have time to stop and think how they are to tackle the new types of jobs they face, or how to improve the doing of the old type of jobs so they can even hope to get at the new kinds.

By attending the Union Leadership Conference to be held some little distance from the scene of local labors, relaxing a bit, and listening instead of rushing about at urgent tasks, our union leaders should come back refreshed and revitalized, prepared to put new knowledge to work.

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OF COURSE...

Of course, there are some members of unions and some officers of unions who get off the old line about "What's the use of all that theoretical stuff?" etc. Such members, such officers, are out of date.

One of the reasons American trade unionism is in the trouble with the public which it is now in, and is so vulnerable to the attacks of its enemies, is that too many union officers have relied on hand-to-mouth and rough-and-ready half-solutions for the increasingly complex problems faced.

Surely the managers of the big corporations we face at the bargaining table are extremely practical people, as we've found to our cost many a time. Yet these corporation managers have for years been advancing the interests of their business by conferences going very thoroughly into "that theoretical stuff."

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TEST OF LEADERSHIP

This Union Leadership Conference itself constitutes a test of our union leadership. If it is well attended, and if those who attend take part in the sessions with interest, then our local union leadership has passed the test.

If not....

"HIGH-POWERED BRAZEN LIE" is main "right to work" weapon, Geo. Meany told a California audience.

OFFICIAL NOTICES

Unions will find notices of important meetings called by their officers on page 5 of this issue of the Journal.

New problems to be faced at leaders' meet

The Union Leadership Conference at Monterey May 4-7 is going to be a working conference, and any golf and fishing arranged for by the Monterey union host locals will be strictly before or after the conference.

This was stressed at the Central Labor Council this week by CLC Assistant Secretary Art Hellender, speaking for Executive Secretary Robert S. Ash, who has devoted much attention to organizing the conference, the first of its sort ever sponsored by the CLC.

The culinary and hotel people in Monterey are providing a cocktail party, and arranging passes for golf and fishing for those interested, but these are to be matters strictly off the conference schedule itself.

Ash and Hellender are emphasizing the many new problems faced by labor unions this year, some of them if not solved having the capacity of almost wrecking unionism; it is these new problems which make the Union Leadership Conference essential.

Hellender said that participants in the discussion on how legislation is enacted will include Congressman George P. Miller, Assemblyman Robert Crown, and Supervisor Francis Dunn.

Other well known people who will assist in the discussions of various vital labor subjects are Omar Hoskins, for years a Federal mediator; Paul St. Sure, head of the ship owners' negotiating group; San Francisco Supervisor Joseph Casey, for many years an AFL organizer; Dr. Fred Stripp of UC. Still others will assist.

Those planning to attend should apply at once to Secretary Ash's office. Registration fee: \$15. American plan rates at San Carlos Hotel: \$13, including room, three meals daily, and the conference banquet.

New Bakers Union pension plan set

The new American Bakers and Confectioners Union, or the ABC as it is often called, now has received approval from the Treasury Department of its pension plan, identical with the plan of the old international union which was expelled from the AFL-CIO.

Archie Goodman, international vice president of the ABC, told East Bay Labor Journal that members of locals seceding from the old international and joining the ABC will receive exactly the same pension rights as they had under the old international.

This is important in recruiting, as some locals were staying with the old union for the pension.

No growling in 'lions den' as 'Daniel' defends his program

The 400 delegates at the CIO Committee on Political Education (COPE) convention in Fresno over the weekend endorsed Pat Brown and Clair Engle, both Democrats, for Governor and U. S. Senator, respectively, by voice vote, without prolonged discussion.

Some Steelworker delegates suggested that both Congressman Clair Engle and Governor Goodwin Knight, who is a Republican, be endorsed for Senator, as the AFL Labor League for Political Education (LLPE) had done in convention in San Francisco last week. But this idea was soon dismissed.

Brown and Engle both addressed the convention, and were received with great ovations, but the most dramatic event of the convention was the speech by U. S. Senator William F. Knowland, Republican, candidate for Governor, who was received with utter politeness and absolute lack of enthusiasm, since he is the leading advocate of the "right to work" proposal which is the principal issue in the campaign.

"I understand how Daniel felt in the lions den," said Knowland to the convention. "My action in coming here, however, was voluntary. Compulsion was used to put him there. That, at least, is quite a difference in the manner of our respective rivals."

He had already said that

"there is no illusion on my part, nor I am sure on yours, that my candidacy for Governor is about to receive the endorsement of this group."

Later he insisted, however, that "I do seek the help and votes of the AFL-CIO members as individual Americans and as fellow Californians. Large numbers have already pledged me their support."

Referring to labor's support of Congressman Engle for Senator, Knowland said:

"I voted for the Taft-Hartley bill, for which I was accused of being anti-union. I cannot believe, however, that my support of this legislation, which I believed then and now is constructive legislation, is a reason for your opposition to my candidacy."

"The fact is that the Democratic Congressman from the Second District, who is receiving labor support for his Senatorial contest, also voted for the Taft-Hartley legislation and also voted to override a Democratic President's veto of the bill. So this can hardly be the basis of your opposition to me."

"Or is there a double standard? If a Democrat votes for Taft-Hartley is he excused and endorsed? If a Republican does the same thing is he condemned and liquidated?"

Later Knowland suggested

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Beating ends in double play at LLPE meet

The double play at the recent State AFL-LLPE convention, that is, the endorsement of both Engle and Knight, was the only possible way to keep the opposing players from spending all their time for months beating the other fellow's candidate.

While Central Labor Council Secretary Robert S. Ash didn't descend to the use of such mixed metaphors from the current dictionary, he made it very plain that it all amounted to just about that.

"It got to the point," Ash told the CLC delegates this week, "where there was a lot of hot blood. We were all going around saying all the nasty things we could about the other fellow's candidate. I think I can say I did a pretty fair hatchet job on Knight, myself."

This state of affairs at the convention arose after the LLPE Advisory Committee had voted 7 to 5 to endorse Congressman Clair Engle, Democrat, for U. S. Senator, and the LLPE Executive Committee had countered by voting 12 to 11 to endorse Governor Goodwin J. Knight, Republican, for U. S. Senator, the twelfth and deciding vote having been cast by Teamster Tommy Pitts, president of the State Federation and of LLPE (Labor League for Political Education.)

After the mutual tearing to pieces process had gone on a while, Ash still felt there was a good chance that Engle would win if the fight went to the floor, no matter how much hot blood might stay hot afterwards.

But Joe Diviny, Jack Goldberger, Mae Stoneman, and Bill Bassett came to Ash with a proposal that conferences be held with Secretary C. J. Haggerty of LLPE and others to see if something less devastating than a wide open split couldn't be worked out. Diviny and Goldberger, Teamsters, and Miss Stoneman, Culinary, were Knight supporters, and Bassett, secretary of the Los Angeles CLC, was an Engle backer.

"So I called a meeting of the Alameda County delegates I could get hold of in the confusion of the convention hall," Ash

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Pipe Trades meet this weekend here

The California Pipe Trades Council of the United Association of Journeymen and Apprentices of the Plumbing and Pipefitting Industry of the United States and Canada is holding its 38th convention this weekend at Hotel Leamington. The gathering begins today (Friday) and runs through Sunday, April 27.

Host locals are Steamfitters 342 and Plumbers 444.

BTC hears blow by blow story of Engle & Knight

A graphic account of the struggle which led to the "dual endorsement" of Clair Engle and Goodwin Knight for U. S. Senator by the State AFL political convention was given to the Building Trades Council at its last meeting by BTC Business Representative J. L. Childers.

Childers made it plain that his own candidate for the Senatorship was and is Engle, and that he believed Engle is the man the great majority of Alameda County BTC people favor.

The only real fight which came up at the convention in San Francisco of the AFL's Labor League for Political Education (LLPE), said Childers, was that between the advocates of Engle and those who favored Knight. The Alameda County COPE convention had previously endorsed Engle without debate.

Childers sat on the 15-member Advisory Committee which met before the LLPE Executive Committee met. Three of the 15 Advisory Committee members were absent. The remaining 12, after long discussion, voted 7 to 5 for Engle.

When the 23-member Executive Committee took up the question, after long debate the

vote stood 11 for Engle and 11 for Knight. State President Thomas L. Pitts of the Teamsters then cast the deciding vote, and cast it for Knight. So Knight had won 12 to 11.

But the next day when the matter went to the floor of the convention it was plain that the delegates were not going to accept quietly the close vote on the Executive Committee.

C. J. Haggerty, executive secretary of the State AFL and of the LLPE, is a strong Knight supporter, and has great oratorical ability which in the past has persuaded people to switch votes, and it was believed by the Engle supporters that Haggerty might do this in this case.

It was also realized that if either Knight or Engle was endorsed, the losing group might withdraw from the convention, and there would be a serious split in the campaign. Accordingly the compromise was adopted of endorsing both Knight and Engle.

Haggerty was reported to be very unhappy about the result, as he had felt confident he could land the endorsement for Knight, and there was gossip in

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HOW TO BUY

But, Mr. Eisenhower, what bargains?

By **SIDNEY MARGOLIUS**
Labor Consumer Advisor for Labor Journal

When the President of the United States gives shopping advice, this department, which specializes in the same field, pays attention.

Unfortunately, it is necessary to report that Mr. Eisenhower's recent advice won't help working families protect their living standards from present record-high prices, or make more jobs. He said, in effect, that the public should buy when it thinks it's getting a bargain, and not worry about future costs. Also, businessmen should use better packaging, advertising and salesmanship to get the public to buy.

The fact is, elaborate packaging and advertising already has reached the point where it serves no further useful purpose, and is adding noticeably to the cost of many goods, and especially food and toiletries. For example, a recent survey by the New York State Extension Service found the same type of cheese sold by the loaf, cost 49 cents a pound, while packaged in glass jars, the cost is 77 cents, or 57 percent more. The fancy package actually cuts down purchases. There's 28 cents with which you might buy something else.

Further, this department finds, there are few real bargains available at this time to attract the public to buy, and these not in the urgent necessities. In fact, the week after the President recommended looking for bargains, his Administration raised the cost of owning a house. It did this by hiking the rate on GI mortgages and removing the ceiling on discounts on both GI and FHA mortgages.

The Administration itself used fancy packaging and "better salesmanship" to make this price hike more palatable, and divert buyers from the contents of the package. It completely eliminated the down payment on GI mortgages, and reduced them to as little as \$500 down for a \$14,000 house on an FHA mortgage. In this case, the packaging is transparent, and should fool no would-be home buyer this spring.

For the interest hike on GI mortgages actually adds a total of \$950 to the final cost of a home. Instead of paying approximately \$76 a month on principal and interest, a vet now will pay about \$78.50, not including taxes. He finally will repay a total of \$28,300 on a \$15,000, 30-year mortgage.

The FHA mortgage rate remains the same, 5 3/4 percent. But with no restraint on discounts, lenders can charge any bonus they want. Thus, on a \$12,000 mortgage the bank or mortgage company may advance the builder only \$11,500, while you must repay the full \$12,000. The lost \$500 generally is concealed in the cost of the house, either by raising the tag on the house itself or inflating the closing costs. The most ironic aspect of this hidden price hike is that you also pay interest on that \$500 bonus. The discount is one of the cleverest money-lenders' devices yet invented. They actually found a way to collect interest from you on money they didn't lend you.

If you add a reasonable property-tax of 2 percent of the value, the total monthly payment for a \$15,000 house on a GI mortgage will be about \$104 a month, not including heating and maintenance. To undertake such payments, most mortgage-lenders will require that you have an income of about \$500 a month.

This bars the average wage-earner from buying a new house at 1958 prices, averaging about \$15,000. Thus, no-down-payment, or even small down payment is no help to either would-be buyers or home builders.

Wales women face revolt

About 50 husbands in Toney-refail, Wales, announced they had organized the Ancient Order of Contented Husbands, dedicated to the principle that "a man has to be boss in his home."

Under their constitution, members of the Ancient Order can be fined or expelled for such offenses as:

- Revealing the amount of wages to wives.
- Washing dishes.
- Chopping wood.
- Getting coal.
- Pressing clothes.
- Scrubbing floors.
- Preparing breakfast.

Another requirement is that members must attend meetings in the local pub once a day.

Newsmen were successful in getting comment from only one wife who had this to say: "Wait'll they see the dual union we set up. It'll make their heads spin." — International Teamster.

Hint to shopper

Buy small chickens when you are using them for broiling or frying. The smallest sizes of broiler-fryers cook quickly.

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To the Ladies: FROM the EDITOR

YOU GET ACQUAINTED with people, and begin to like them a great deal, and then suddenly they move, perhaps to the other end of the State, or to Wyoming where the man's company transfers him.

A few such experiences—including being moved around yourself — and you think that nobody stays put any more.

But then you hear of people who have lived all their lives in one place. Take, for instance, Mr. and Mrs. Hans Henningsen of Hayward, who celebrated their golden wedding on April 14.

HE WAS BORN in Russell City, and she was born in Livermore. They've lived their entire married life in the area, and when he retired in 1952 he had been serving one bank in Hayward for 33 years.

Of course the Trib reporter asked them what was their formula for a successful marriage, and they turned up with a very good one: "Forgive and forget, and place family and home foremost."

BUT PERHAPS there is another formula which helped them, and would help many couples: Stay in the place where you were born, and spend your life among people you know. There's nothing like that for giving stability to any relationship.

Of course, many new people have come to Hayward during those 50 years the Henningsens have been married, but it gives you a good solid feeling to be the one already established in the community, greeting the newcomers and gradually getting acquainted with them.

Use sterling silver daily

To keep silver in the best possible condition, the Sterling Silversmiths of America, an association of nine leading silversmiths, emphasizes one important point: Sterling silver should be used daily. It cannot wear out. And constant use keeps it from becoming badly tarnished.

The specialists advise:

- After meals, wash silver promptly in hot soapy water. Rinse in hot water and dry, while still warm, with a soft clean towel.

- Polish silver about once a month. Use clean soft cloths or chamois. Use cream or liquid polish specifically made for sterling silver. Massage the pieces with the polish, then bathe them in sudsy water before rinsing in hot water.

- Ornamental pieces are tiresome to clean, but short-cut methods should be avoided. Aluminum and soda baths remove tarnish; however, they also remove the subtle shadows expressly applied on the pieces with oxidation.

- To prevent heavy tarnish from foods such as eggs, condiments, dressings, citrus fruits or salt, whisk a bit of silver polish over the pieces immediately after use.

Barbara Bell Patterns



Simply styled two piece dress for the mother-to-be that uses crisp contrast for accent. Skirt provided for needed adjustment.

No. 8145 with Patt-O-Rama is in sizes 12, 14, 16, 18, 20. Size 14, 34 bust, short sleeve, 2 1/2 yards of 35-inch; 5/8 yard contrast; skirt, 2 5/8 yards.

Send thirty-five cents in coins for this pattern — add 5c for each pattern for first-class mailing. Send to Barbara Bell, East Bay Labor Journal, 367 W. Adams Street, Chicago 6, Ill. Print name, address with zone, style number and size.

Badge for books worn by kids

At least one badge being worn nowadays by badge-conscious youngsters can't be had in exchange for a couple of cereal box tops or a candy bar wrapper. Its wearers have sampled a different sort of fare: food for thought. And in most cases the first tentative taste has proved habit-forming. That is the experience of the Library Club of America.

The Library Club of America offers youngsters three kinds of membership badges, based on the number of books they have read. The youngster must indicate his familiarity with each book to the satisfaction of his teacher or librarian.

There are now 1500 chapters of the club in the United States. Ordinarily, the reading of four books qualifies one for membership.

Confidence

Traffic cop: Don't you know better than to try to turn around in the middle of the block?

Fair lady: Oh, I think I can make it, officer.

Women in This World

By **EDITH McCONN**

IT'S HERE.

Yes, we mean the baseball season. And in a big way, with "big league" games on our door step.

And while we girls are not yet "in there pitching" we have become fans in increasing numbers.

Many women first mounted the bleachers merely to please their men folk. Most of them caught the fever—a particularly contagious virus—and soon became ardent fans themselves.

Many fans, however, know very little about the fateful little sphere itself, so breathlessly watched by its ardent admirers.

For instance, nearly three million balls a year are sold to be used in professional games. This does not account for the other millions lost on sand lots every year.

There is nothing haphazard in their manufacture. Their insides are almost as intricate as those of a baby Sputnik.

A ball starts with a core of cork mixed with a small amount of rubber. This is covered first by a layer of black rubber. Then begins the winding process, done on a carefully regulated machine.

First, 120 yards of coarse gray wool yarn is wound around the center. Then 45 yards of white wool yarn, then 53 yards of fine gray wool, and last 150 yards of cotton yarn.

Next comes a coat of rubber cement, then the horse-hide cover, two figure-8 shaped pieces, stitched by hand with red thread.

This stitching is done in "baseball stitch" a stitch which every big sister had to learn in the old days when small boys had little pocket money and had to use any old ball they could find. Sister, watchfully supervised, was constantly being called upon to mend ripped covers, no easy task.

New balls are no longer so glossy as they used to be, but in the old days the gloss must be carefully rubbed off with mud scooped from the bottom of the Delaware river—no other river would do!

Very demanding gadgets, these little whizzers, but some people think they are worth all the trouble. Especially along about this time of year.

Single pieces versus suites

The popularity of the suite, the matched set of furniture called "sweet" by the public and "suit" by the industry, is fading.

Although stores buy furniture in sets, they don't always sell them that way any more. According to a furniture executive of one large department store, suites usually sell to those who prefer modern design—70 percent of these customers buy suites. But, in traditional furniture groupings, only 50 percent of the customers buy suites.

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Carpenters given choice of plans

The Carpenters Welfare Plan trustees, 7 from the employer side and 7 from the union side, are submitting to the union members under the plan in northern counties of California a choice, effective June 1, between the Blue Cross and a Kaiser plan.

There are 45,000 union members under the Carpenters Welfare Plan in the 46 northern counties of the State. But where there are no Kaiser units the choice is not offered. Napa is toward the northern limits.

Under the Kaiser plan there is equal coverage for all dependents, according to Chester Bartalini of Carpenters 36, who is executive secretary of the Bay Area Council of Carpenters and was recently elected president of the State Council of Carpenters.

The Kaiser plan will cost \$2.20 less per month than the Blue Cross plan. Bartalini has been trying for three years to get a dual choice for the members.

The questionnaires proposing the choice are now going out to the members.

The 7 union members of the board of the Carpenters Welfare Plan are Bartalini, Charles Roe of Hayward, Dave Williams of San Francisco, F. O. Jorgenson of San Jose, J. F. Cambiano of San Mateo, M. R. Marcus of Stockton, and Bob Segruss of Fresno.

Fineman's passing mourned by labor

When the Central Labor Council adjourned Monday, the delegates stood in silence in tribute to the memory of A. M. Fineman, representative of the International Union of Electrical, Radio & Machine Workers, and a member of the CLC executive committee, who died Saturday at his home in San Leandro.

Fineman was preparing to leave for the CIO Committee on Political Education (COPE) in Fresno when he was taken suddenly by a heart attack.

Funeral services were held Monday, with Dr. John J. Zucker, of Temple Beth Sholem, officiating.

Fineman, who was 41 years of age, is survived by his wife, Fay, and his children, Lois and Martin.

Intra-labor feuds to be arbitrated

MIAMI BEACH — The AFLCIO Executive Council has approved a new plan under which the machinery of the AFLCIO no-raiding agreement will be used to process all disputes that may arise between affiliates.

The no-raiding agreement provides binding decisions by David Cole in the cases of unions that have signed the pact, and it has been accepted by more than 80 of approximately 105 affiliates to which the machinery is applicable.

Hereafter, the council decided, disputes arising between non-signers also will go to Cole if they are not settled by mutual consent. Cole's recommendations will be advisory rather than binding for non-signers, but if the recommendations are not accepted a dispute will go to Meany for an effort to obtain compliance. In case of failure at that level, Meany will report the facts of the dispute to the council.—AFLCIO News.

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"THE CENTRAL LABOR COUNCIL of Alameda County, AFLCIO, 1958 Community Service Award to Clark Corliss in recognition of his efforts to make Alameda County a better place to live." Those are the words on the plaque shown in the hands of Corliss, for the past 8 years executive director of the Community Service Council, who is now moving to New Orleans to take charge of the United Crusade there. The picture, taken at the recent graduation dinner of 49 Union Counsellors, shows, top row, left to right: CLC President Al Brown; Roy Woods, Hayward Culinary 823; Charles Garoni, Linoleum Layers 1290; CLC Assistant Secretary Richard Groulx; Lower row: CLC Assistant Secretary Art Hellender; Richard McGee, State director of correctional institutions; Corliss; CLC Secretary Robert S. Ash.

Labor regrets passing of big electric trains and plan to move rails

Labor people and others interested in developing a modern rapid transit system noted with regret this week the passing of the big electric trains which ever since the San Francisco-Oakland bridges was built have hauled passengers between the two sides of the bay.

The Central Labor Council had backed Carmen 192 and the progressive advocates of rapid transit in insisting that the rails be retained on the bridge until plans could be completed for a new system. However, the State Public Utilities Commission ruled otherwise.

Jewel endorsed by AFL and CIO COPE

Howard H. Jewel, Democratic candidate for U. S. Representative from the Sixth Congressional District (Contra Costa and Solano counties), has been endorsed by the California CIO Council on Political Education.

Jewel, the only Democratic candidate for the Sixth District post, was endorsed previously by the State AFL Labor League for Political Education.

MANUEL L. FURTADO, Hayward attorney, was named as Southern Alameda County chairman for Glenn M. Anderson, Democratic candidate for Lieutenant Governor.



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Local woman wins \$100 on how Wards should be licked

Miriam Allen deFord, of San Francisco, was named winner of the first weekly essay contest sponsored by the Retail Clerks International Association on issues involved in its current strike against Montgomery Ward.

Miss deFord, member of the American Newspaper Guild, won a \$100 U. S. Savings Bond for her answer to this question:

"In what ways can union members and the consuming public help convince an anti-union employer like Montgomery Ward, who believes that unions should have no part in determining wages and working conditions of employees, that such an attitude is all wrong?"

The contest winner's terse reply was:

"There is only one way for the consuming public to help convince a stubbornly anti-union employer—and that is to refuse to patronize him."

"Stone age employers of the Montgomery Ward variety cannot be convinced by reasoning—the only way they can learn is by pressure on the only vulnerable part of their substance—the pocketbook nerve."

The contest will continue indefinitely with a weekly award of a \$100 U. S. Savings Bond for the winning entry which should be mailed to Contest Editor, RCIA, DeSales Building, Washington 6, D. C.

COMMUNITY CHESTS, Western Conference United Funds and Councils has named Southern Pacific Company executive Carl O. Olsen of Oakland as its 1958-59 vice-president for the State.

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the corridors that Haggerty felt he had been repudiated.

Childers felt that Mayor Christopher, the third candidate for the endorsement for Senator, cut a very poor figure. He seemed to be ignorant of the national issues which as a Senator he would have to deal with, and his answers to questions were so evasive that "it was like trying to trap a man in a revolving door."

Knight, said Childers, did a wonderful job of sympathy-seeking. Knight said the GOP had done a job on him, that he'd tried to help labor; and throughout he played the sympathy note.

Engle, said Childers, had an intelligent written program, answered every question clearly. He showed the figures on his voting record in Congress—10 bad votes out of 80.

On the vote Engle cast originally for the passage of the Taft-Hartley Act ten years ago, he said that at the time he was unaware of the dangerous gimmicks in the measure, and that since then he has regularly voted to remove the gimmicks.

In general, Childers felt that Knight would say anything to get the endorsement, but that Engle was giving intelligent honest answers.

EAST BAY MUD BONDS

The BTC voted to withhold action on endorsing the East Bay Municipal Utilities District proposed \$252,000,000 bond issue, until the joint committee from the BTC and from the Central Labor Council have worked out a mutually satisfactory position for two councils.

MUD estimates that unless the bond issue is authorized and extensive building of new facilities done, by 1967 the area will be out of water for new industries and new homes.

At the meeting of the joint labor committee with Manager McFarland of MUD the attitude of the management toward labor unions was discussed, also how much of the work of laying pipe in new subdivisions would be done by the district's maintenance crews, and how much by contractors who would hire building trades workers.

CLC unions which have been trying to organize workers for MUD were not satisfied with McFarland's attitude toward unions, although he made a few concessions. "But it was no great victory," said Childers. McFarland agreed to answer a CLC letter asking about the district's labor policy and to have his answer posted on the bulletin board.

On the pipe laying, McFarland

said he would not increase his maintenance crews, and would confine their work to the first 1000 feet of a project; thereafter, the job would be let out to contract.

Charles Roe, Hayward Carpenters, felt the discussion with MUD on union policy should be brought to a more satisfactory state; Hugh Rutledge, Painters 127, said it was essential to have unity with the CLC in the matter; Al Thoman, Carpenters 36, commented that of course the new water was a community necessity, that people and industries were still flocking in, and many future jobs for labor people would be canceled if the water wasn't provided; Anders Larsen and Lem Flanigan of Carpenters 36 urged holding up the endorsement for the time being, as did Dan R. Guzzi of Hayward Carpenters.

EL DORADO OIL CO.

Louis Wilson, Carpenters 36, said the situation at the El Dorado Oil Co. job was still bad, and Childers said he would check it again.

DELEGATES SEATED

BTC President J. S. Miller seated the following delegates: Boilermakers 10—C. W. Huddleston, O. M. Bachand; Cement Masons 594—Irvine Farve.

ATTORNEY'S CONFERENCE

It was announced that a copy had been received of the proceedings at the labor attorneys' conference held in Fresno last December at the instance of State BTC President Bryan P. Deavers. The conference was chaired by P. H. McCarthy, general counsel for the State BTC, and papers on important legal issues confronting labor were read by Mathew O. Tobriner, Albert Brundage, Robert Morgan, Louis Sherman, Walter Wencke, and Charles P. Scully.

Subjects discussed were: organizational picketing, secondary boycotts, prevailing wage law, effect of McClellan Committee disclosures, the jurisdictional strike act, and "right to work."

EASTER SEALS

A contribution to purchase Easter seals was authorized.

FINANCIAL REPORT

Secretary Davy read the quarterly financial report.

MAY 19 MASS MEETING

Childers reported that Pat Brown and Clair Engle, candidates for Governor and Senator, respectively, will be at the May 19 mass meeting at Oakland Auditorium against "right to work" and that Walter Reuther is trying to arrange things so he can be there.

TRIBUTE TO BRATTON

When the BTC adjourned, it did so out of respect to the memory of Curtis Bratton who, BTC Secretary John Davy pointed out, had been an employee of the Labor Temple Association for many years. The Central Labor Council at an earlier meeting had also adjourned out of respect to Bratton's memory.

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Plumbers Local 444

By BEN H. BEYNON

The California Pipe Trades Council of the United Association of Journeymen and Apprentices of the Plumbing and Pipefitting Industry of the United States and Canada commences their thirty-eighth convention Friday, April 25, through Sunday, April 27, 1958.

Representation from the international will consist of General Organizer Archie Virtue, Executive Vice-President William T. Dodd, General Organizer Thomas Hambley and Apprenticeship Coordinator Dan MacDonald.

Hosts for this event, being held at Hotel Leamington, Oakland, California, are Steamfitters Local Union No. 342 and Plumbers & Gas Fitters Local Union No. 444.

Delegates attending from Local Union 444 are the following: Ben H. Beynon, Michael A. Cahill, Arthur M. Cleary, Jack Garavanta, George Hess and Dominick J. Mooney. The following brothers will be serving on the noted committees: Michael A. Cahill, Memorial Committee; Arthur M. Cleary, Credentials Committee; and Dominick J. Mooney, committee to be designated at a later date.

It is with deepest sympathy that we announce the loss of three brothers during the last month. The deceased brothers: Kenneth Sutherland, formerly a Civil Service plumber working for Alameda county on the Fairmont Hospital job; Wayne Eddy, who worked for the University of California radiation laboratory in Berkeley for many years; and Joseph Loughery, who was a charter member of Local Union No. 444 in 1903. We extend our sincere regret to the families of the deceased brothers.

I am sincerely hoping to see as many members present as possible at our May 1 meeting.

Labor Temple Auxiliary

By ANNE KIRBY

Election of officers, Labor Temple Women's Auxiliary Tuesday, April 1:

President: Opal Lawrence, Vice President: Virginia Draxton, Recording Secretary: Emma Vice, Financial Secretary: Jessie Houston, Treasurer: Anne Kirby, Chaplain: Naomi Vercelli, Marshal: Bess Stephens, Sentinel: Hazel Rasmussen, Musician: Pearl Scott, Trustees: Gladys Lear, Chairman, Ruby Kinney, Del Gibson, Ethel Andrews.

Installation of officers will be held at Milani's Restaurant on Saturday, May 24th with dinner at 7 p.m. After installation, dancing will be enjoyed.

Ike's advisor to meet with Beirne

Len Lawson of CWA has received word that Raymond J. Saulnier, head of the President's Economic Advisory Board, has agreed to meet with CWA President J. A. Beirne to discuss crucial economic issues, though, like Secretary of Labor Mitchell, he refuses to consider the union's bargaining demands in close detail.

Hayward Painters 1178

By ROBERT G. MILLER

You should attend the meetings until after election to keep yourself posted about what is being attempted over the U.S.A. to outlaw organized labor as we know it.

The advocates of such proposed laws are many and have plenty of money to back up the politicians who are in accord such proposed legislation. We don't have any of the long green needed to fight such action at headquarters. So each one of us is asked to become a member of the Council on Political Education (COPE). The price of a membership card in this Council is \$1.00, and this money will go to those states in the nation who need it most. California is one of those states, believe me.

We get a communication from Washington, D. C. regularly with a report covering many angles of this question, in many states.

We'll see you at the meeting May 2.

Chips and Chatter

By AL THOMAN

The business agents of the Carpenters locals in Alameda County attended the meeting in Fresno of the State Carpenters Council executive council and advisory board as set up under the new program.

The executive council sat in continuous session Sunday from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. considering 53 items of business.

The advisory board in sessions Monday and Tuesday discussed the ways of carrying out proposed solutions of these problems of our craft in this State.

It looks as though the new council will be an effective tool to deal with your problems.

We expect no miracles, but every man is obviously willing and working, so we should see united efforts based on a coordinated policy doing much for the carpenter and his welfare.

Garment Workers expand investment

NEW YORK — The Ladies Garment Workers is expanding its investments in government-backed mortgages to provide housing for the armed forces. Together with the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers the union has invested \$11.8 million to build 900 housing units at Fort Ord, California for military personnel.

The return will be 4 percent. The newest investment brings to \$47.8 million the amount the two unions have put in armed services housing. They have investments in 2,180 housing units at Air Force installations near Reno, Nevada, and Little Rock, Arkansas, and in 360 units at Point Mugu, California, a Navy missile base.

In using its money for government-backed housing, the ILGWU has two objectives—to help the armed forces by providing housing that will reduce personnel turnover and to increase the earning return on union funds taken from the union's retirement, welfare and general reserves.—AFLCIO News.

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If summer upturn, then 10-15 cents pay rise expected

WASHINGTON — The AFL-CIO Department of Research warns that some employers will attempt to capitalize on the recession to deny unions reasonable wage increases in 1958.

The fact is, the department added in its Collective Bargaining Report, that more than 4 million workers will receive wage increases in 1958 ranging from 7 to 13 cents an hour.

It added that to a limited extent the general trend in collective bargaining hinges on the depth of the current recession, but that if an economic upturn appears by early summer wage increases of from 10 to 15 cents an hour are likely.

The bulk of wage increases in 1957, the report says, were 10 or more cents an hour, with about one-third calling for 13 or more cents.

The 1957 increases were needed in large part to make up for the rise in living costs, but were sufficiently large in many cases to provide "for some reasonable real gain" beyond the catch-up range.

Bargaining in 1958, the report adds, is tied at the moment to the recession. If the downturn gains momentum it will have a limiting effect on wage increases "even though wage increases are most vitally needed in such a period to stimulate the economy."

However, the report declares, if economic conditions show improvement by late spring or early summer the economic difficulties in the earlier months "should not have a depressing effect on the year's bargaining results."

Some employers, the report says, "undoubtedly will try to capitalize on the economic recession by citing it to unions as a reason for 'restraint' on wage increases. But unions will not be led into abandoning reasonable wage demands on the ground of the general economic downturn."—AFLCIO News.

Laundry Workers beat ousted union

MILWAUKEE — The AFLCIO Laundry Workers scored a major victory here winning representation rights at three linen supply firms despite a strong campaign by the expelled Laundry Workers International Union and the Teamsters.

In elections conducted by the Wisconsin Employment Relations Board, Local 3008 of the new union triumphed by large margins. At a fourth plant the vote ended in a tie, to be followed by a runoff.

Arno Schulz, Local 3008 president, hailed the victory as a "repudiation" of charges by the LWIU that the AFLCIO campaign in Milwaukee was a failure.

Schulz said the election victories came despite efforts of Teamsters Local 360 to pressure employees into voting for LWIU Local 174.

The LWIU and the Teamsters were expelled by the AFLCIO convention last December for failure to clean out corrupt leadership. The two unions recently entered into a mutual aid agreement.—AFLCIO News.

GEORGE O. FECTEAU has been reelected president of the United Shoe Workers and Angelo Georgian of Boston defeated Charles Scudder for the post of secretary-treasurer.

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OFFICIAL UNION NOTICES

AUTOMOTIVE MACHINISTS 1546

Be sure to attend and bring the family and friends to the meeting at 8 p.m., Tuesday, May 6, at the Labor Temple, 2315 Valdez St., Oakland, at which time there will be a celebration of the 70th anniversary of the founding of the International Association of Machinists.

The preceding day, Monday, May 5, has been set by Governor Goodwin J. Knight as Machinists Day in a proclamation issued April 17 in which he declares "it is an honor and a privilege for me . . . to urge my fellow Californians to join in honoring an organization which has become a great institution."

Three distinguished speakers will address the meeting: District Attorney Frank Coakley and Frank Dix, Scout Executive for the Boy Scouts of America, will talk on what the union has done for the community; and General Vice President Roy M. Brown of the IAM will talk on union affairs.

Fraternally,
A. J. HAYES
Recording Secretary

CARPENTERS 36

Unless otherwise specified regular meetings will be held each Friday at 8 p.m. at Carpenter's Hall, 761 - 12th Street, Oakland, Calif.

Fraternally Yours,
OSCAR N. ANDERSON,
Recording Secretary

CARPENTERS 1622

A SPECIAL CALLED meeting on April 28 which also is Social Night, and refreshments will be served free.

Meeting at Labor Temple, 1541 Mattox Road, Hayward, at 8 p.m.

The special called meeting is requested by the State Council of Carpenters to vote on referendum proposed changes in the Constitution of the Council, as voted by the delegates at the last convention.

Fraternally yours,
MARIUS WALDAL
Recording Secretary

CARPENTERS 194

Unless otherwise specified, the Alameda Carpenter Local will meet on the first and third Friday of each month at 8:00 p.m. in Eagle Hall, 2305 Alameda Ave., Alameda.

Fraternally yours,
J. W. NIXON,
Recording Secretary

CARPENTERS 1158

Special Called meeting Friday, April 25, 1958, at 8:00 p.m. at 2108 Shattuck Avenue, Berkeley to vote on changes in the constitution of the California State Council of Carpenters.

Fraternally,
H. B. RICHARDSON
Recording Secretary

CARPENTERS 194, 1158 & 1473

The Business Agents' and Dispatchers' office is open Monday through Friday, 7:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. in the Labor Temple, 2315 Valdez St., Oakland, room 232, phone TWInorks 3-1120.

PLUMBERS & GAS FITTERS 444

The next regular meeting will be held Thursday, May 1, 1958, in Hall A on the first floor of the Labor Temple, 2315 Valdez Street, Oakland, California.

1. We will have the regular order of business.

2. We will vote on the proposed amendment to our bylaws adopted June 14, 1956 under "Schedule of Meetings" on page 5, changing our regular meeting from the first Thursday of each month to the fourth Wednesday of each month.

Please make every effort to attend.

Fraternally,
BEN H. BEYNON,
Business Manager and
Financial Sec.-Treas.

UNITED STEELWORKERS 1798

United Steelworkers Local 1798 meeting, Friday, April 25, 1958 at 8:00 p.m., 2315 Valdez Street, Hall D, Oakland, California

Fraternally,
DOROTHY McDAID
Recording Secretary

UC EMPLOYEES 371

The next regular meeting will be held May 3. We will meet at 2 p.m., the time decided upon at the last meeting. This is not a definite permanent time for meeting, but just for this meeting only.

All members should attend, their help is needed on decisions for negotiations. Remember May 3, 2 p.m., and the meeting place is Eagles Hall, 2238 San Pablo Avenue. The executive board will meet at 1 p.m. As usual, Coffee Jenning will serve refreshments.

Fraternally,
CHARLES HOBBS,
Secretary-Treasurer

CO. SCHOOL EMPLOYEES 257

The next regular meeting will be held at 1918 Grove Street, Oakland, on May 3, 1958, at 2:00 p.m.

At this meeting, a representative of an insurance company will present and explain a group medical and hospital plan which has been recommended by the Health and Welfare committee of Local No. 257 after careful and exhaustive study.

The Executive Board will meet at 10:30 a.m.

Fraternally,
JOE FALLS,
Secretary

HAYWARD PAINTERS 1178

A regular meeting of the local is scheduled for Friday night, May 2.

See article in another column on urgent reasons for attending meetings now.

Fraternally,
ROBERT G. MILLER,
Recording Secretary

Labor led the way to house cleaning

CHICAGO — The American labor movement of the future will be cleaner, more effective and bigger unless its enemies hamstring it by legislation. AFL-CIO Vice President George M. Harrison told the 10th annual John A. Ryan Forum here.

"We don't need punitive legislation and we don't want the Russian type of government regimented-unions," he added.

Harrison recalled that the AFLCIO had moved to take action against corruption in its affiliates before the McClellan Committee began its investigation.

"However, as soon as that evidence was (brought) out into the open (by the McClellan Committee), the AFLCIO acted," he said. "It acted in two ways: First, it expelled unions which had been proven guilty of corruption; second, it spelled out group rules for the future conduct of unions in its six ethical practices codes.

"Incidentally, the labor movement is the only group in America which has adopted such codes, and I'm not sure but that there may be other groups which need them more than we do."—AFLCIO News.

Survey shows how few members of one union register in Maryland

NEW YORK — A pilot project undertaken by the Clothing Workers education department has disclosed that only 20 to 30 percent—varying from shop to shop—of ACW members in seven Maryland counties and in one Delaware had registered to vote.

The survey covered members served by the union's Eastern Shore Joint Board. It was followed by a stepped-up campaign for a huge turnout on April 15, the registration date in Maryland, with a registration committee set up in each shop. The area was selected because it is typical of some others where the ACW has members — shops in small communities with the members often living in other sections.—AFLCIO News.

Hugel of Carpenters 36 married fifty-two years

Carpenters 36 members are extending congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Charles Hugel, who celebrate their 52nd wedding anniversary on May 2, according to Howell Frazier, also a member of Local 32. Hugel is now able to return home from Permanente.

Kauffman of Culinary 31 has story in Shayne Mag

George Kauffman, 1338 Spruce Street, Berkeley, member of Culinary Alliance 31, has a short story entitled "Nerve to Spare," about bank holdups, in the Mike Shayne Mystery Magazine now on the news stands.

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Knight proclaims 70th anniversary of the IAM

E. H. Vernon, Auto Machinists 1546, has received a copy of a proclamation Governor Knight has issued extending "warm greetings to the members of the International Association of Machinists, on the occasion of its 70th anniversary." It was founded in 1888.

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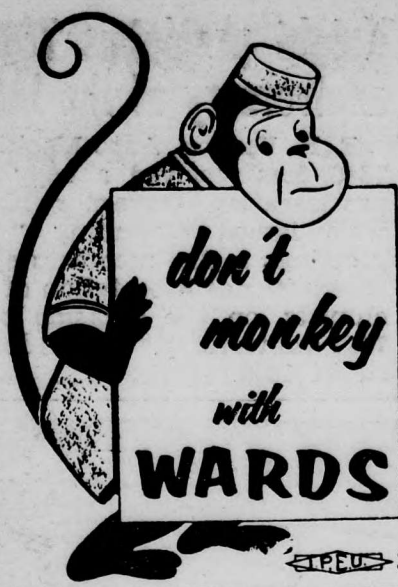
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Some labor won to GOP by crumb jobs says cooks leader

William Kilpatrick, secretary-treasurer, S. F. Cooks 44, in that union's publication, Voice of the Cooks:

Come the elections this year, labor stands to lose or gain much, dependent upon the degree of unified political activity attained by labor.

Let us not close our eyes to the fact that the Republican party has always been anti-labor and is still boxed in and controlled by forces dedicated to the enslavement of labor.

The utilization of the Republican flesh-pots by the simple process of crumb appointments in return for labor votes, the susceptibility of some labor leaders to the blandishments of big business under the guise of concessions to labor, point up the immaturity of labor politically or the subordination of the welfare of the wage earner to expediency, or both.

The apparent Republican strategy in capturing the labor votes by feeding the ego of susceptible labor leaders is not sufficient reward, especially when all signs point to Republican attempts to capture the Senate seat, made vacant by the resignation of the reactionary Knowland, by dividing the labor vote.

If labor is defeated in 1958 it will be because the labor vote has been delivered to anti-labor forces. In the final showdown, let us hope that reason and honesty will prevail.

CHARLES P. HOWARD, Alameda and Contra Costa County civic leader, has been named general chairman of the Citizens Committee for Water Development, sponsors of the \$252,000-000 EBMUD water issue on the June ballot.

Look for the union shop card, ask for a union clerk to serve you, and demand the union label!

Holmdahl campaign committee named

John W. Holmdahl, Oakland City Councilman and endorsed Democratic candidate for State Senator, Alameda County, has made the following appointments to his campaign committee:

Mrs. Clara Shirsper of Berkeley, former Democratic National Committeewoman; Mr. Sheldon Sackett, Oakland newspaper-publisher and radio broadcasting station owner; Mr. D. G. Gibson, Oakland businessman and co-chairman, 7th C. D., State Democratic Central Committee; Mrs. Faye Mitchell, Oakland businesswoman and member of the State Democratic Central Committee; Mr. Charles A. Russell of Niles, building contractor and Chairman of the Alameda County Democratic Central Committee.

Martin Huff of Oakland, certified public accountant and officer of the State Democratic Central Committee, will serve as treasurer; Mrs. Harry Whiteside of Oakland, member of the Alameda County Central Committee, was named as Executive Secretary; Mrs. Mary DeBarnabo of Oakland, past president of a Democratic club, will serve as 7th C. D. Co-ordinator; and Mrs. Helen Calista of Oakland, president of the Eighth Congressional Democratic Women, was named Co-ordinator in the 8th C. D.

School maintenance here is \$13.35; in S. F. \$21.48

San Francisco spends \$21.48 per pupil per year to maintain school buildings, furniture, and equipment; compared with \$15.44 spent by Los Angeles; and a \$13.35 average for Oakland, San Diego, and Long Beach. This is according to figures cited by San Francisco Board of Education Member John G. Levison.

Tell 'em you saw it in the East Bay Labor Journal!

No growling in 'lions den' as 'Daniel' defends his program

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that "the labor program I recommend may be the basis for your organization's opposition to my candidacy."

But he maintained that "this proposed legislation has been subject to distortion and misleading representations," for, he insisted, "I believe in and unqualifiedly support the right of every American worker to join a union . . . I believe in the right of every union member to have a free voice in the administration and activities of his or her union, and if the union does not act in their best interest in the right to withdraw from the union without losing his right to earn a livelihood."

Knowland then took up the eight points of his program for what he calls "union democracy," and after reciting each point, added a challenging question.

1—Having the Government guarantee election of union officials: "Is this against the best interests of the members?"

2—Legal provision for recall of union officials: "Is this undemocratic or anti-union?"

3—Preventing conspiracies between management and union officials: "Is there anyone here in favor of 'sweetheart contracts'?"

4—Protection of union members' welfare and pension programs: "Does this threaten the interests of the rank and file?"

5—Requirement that where unions represent all employees, all are entitled to admission to the union if they wish it: "Who here believes in Class A and Class B membership or discrimination in union membership?"

6—Secret ballot in conditions, terms, and duration of strikes: "Should not union members, who are called on to make the sacrifices in strikes, have the right to determine the issue?"

7—Prevent arbitrary control over local unions by trustees appointed by international unions: "Can this be considered detrimental to either the members or the locals?"

8—Regulations to prevent excessive union fees, assessments, or arbitrary actions: "Is this undemocratic or harmful to the rank and file?"

Knowland went on to insist that groups and individuals well known to be not hostile to labor had made roughly similar proposals. He cited the American Civil Liberties Union, UC President-elect Clark Kerr, Yale Professor of Law Clyde Summers, and J. B. S. Hardman the unionist and writer.

Knowland contended that his Democratic opponent, Pat Brown, has expressed approval of the "union democracy" program at one end of the State, and disapproval in the other, but "the views I express in the northern part of the State are no different from those expressed in the south."

East Bay Labor Journal's representative at the convention reports that when Knowland finished there was a slight smattering of applause from members of Knowland's entourage, that one delegate created amusement by lowering his head in the seat and exclaiming "I didn't clap", and that one of the Knowland entourage was a woman who said "I clapped when he finished because I felt sorry for the man finishing in such absolute silence."

So Daniel walked out of the lions den in awe-inspiring silence.

Manuel Dias, who is a delegate to the Central Labor Council here from the Auto Workers, and who as State president of the CIO presided over the Fresno convention, expressed great satisfaction to East Bay Labor Journal with the politeness with which Knowland was received. Dias had urged, before Knowland appeared, that there be ab-

solutely no booing, no matter what Knowland said.

Our correspondent reports that no man ever had a more attentive audience, that if the traditional pin had dropped, it would have sounded like a steel beam falling off a building, and that every eye was fixed on the Senator through his speech.

ENGLE SPEAKS

Congressman Engle told the convention that the Eisenhower Administration is guilty of galloping inflation and galloping unemployment, that since it looks as though the unemployed will soon be selling apples to survive, as they did in the Hoover depression, there is every indication that the apples they sell will be 25 cents apiece, as prices under the GOP go up as employment goes down.

Engle said that Secretary of State Dulles has managed in six short years to bring the prestige of the U. S. very far down from where it was when the Democratic Administration quit.

Administrative paralysis prevails, said the candidate for Senator, and the Madison Avenue hucksters' technique is being used as a substitute for sound administration. The Democrats, he said, are urging a program to end recession, and if it is not adopted it will be the Republicans' fault.

Engle said that as a member of the liberal bloc in the Democratic Party he is for fair employment, with no compromise on civil rights, that he is against any punitive legislation aimed at labor, and has voted time after time to remove the worst features of the Taft-Hartley Act.

"With the support of labor we shall go on to victory," Engle concluded.

PAT BROWN SPEAKS

Attorney General Edmund G. (Pat) Brown, Democratic candidate for Governor, said at the very beginning of his talk:

"Despite the Senators diatribe up and down our State in recent months about labor bosses, you people certainly do not look like bosses to me. I am sure you could not even boss your own wives, and that is as it should be."

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LLPE double play for Senator only way beaming ended

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told the CLC delegates, "and we caucused and decided to accept a compromise on the basis of an agreement that after the June 3 primary a definite choice between Engle and Knight would be made for the November general election."

Haggerty, a Knight supporter, agreed to confer with President Pitts on having a meeting of the Executive Board called to consider a dual endorsement of Knight and Engle. But soon Haggerty came back with the word that Pitts would not agree to call such a meeting.

So then it was decided that three Knight men and three Engle men would get up on the floor and oppose acceptance of the Executive Board's recommendation that Knight be endorsed, urging instead that there be a dual endorsement. This policy was adopted by the convention.

"I went along with this action," said Ash, "being persuaded by my friends that hard feelings would be very severe even if we won the fight on the floor for a single endorsement for Engle. I believe I was right in accepting this advice."

Ash said that when Knight was answering questions by the committees which interviewed him before the endorsement struggle began, Knight's interest seemed to be in justifying his withdrawal from the race for Governor.

"Knight's argument seemed to be," said Ash, "that if he entered the primary against Knowland, he would have been defeated, and Knowland's victory would have helped to put over the 'right to work.'"

The local COPE convention, held previous to the struggle at the LLPE meeting, endorsed Engle alone for Senator, as did the CIO COPE convention held in Fresno last week.

STRIKE ACTIVITY in February reached a postwar low for the month, according to preliminary estimates of the U. S. Labor Department's Bureau of Labor Statistics.



CENTRAL LABOR COUNCIL delegates this week saw a powerful film which was produced by the United Rubber Workers, telling the story of the strike against the O'Sullivan Company, makers of rubber heels, in Winchester, Virginia. The above picture shows O'Sullivan strikers checking the heels of a Congressman to make sure he isn't wearing the O'Sullivan product. The Congressman being checked out is Representative Frank Thompson, Jr. (Democrat, New Jersey.)

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U. S. can have both guns and butter, the AFLCIO argues

WASHINGTON — America can have both guns and butter—in abundance — if its economic strength is restored and expanded, the AFLCIO Department of Economics maintains.

"With more people working full time schedules and earning more money, and business making more profits from greater output, government revenues would rise, without increasing tax rates," the department asserts in the current issue of its monthly publication, Labor's Economic Review.

"Rising defense expenditures, to meet the nation's defense needs, and improved living standards, to meet the needs of a growing population, are both made possible by continuing economic growth."

The department's basic position is that a strong and growing economy is required for both a strong defense policy and better living standards.

AFLCIO economists turn to official statistics to bulwark their claim that a healthier economy will give us better defense and living standards without higher taxes.

In the last three months of 1957, they show, the gross national product, or the total value of all goods produced and services rendered, was at the annual rate of \$433 billion. Defense program spending was at the rate of \$45 billion a year, or about 10.5 percent.

But thousands of workers were jobless during the final quarter of last year. As a result of unemployment, short work weeks and idle machines, billions of dollars worth of goods and services were lost.

If the national economy is moved quickly toward high levels of production and employment, the country's total output by the end of 1958 could reach a rate of \$455 to \$460 billion a year, the Review article claims, thus making possible "a substantial rise in output for defense and civilian needs."

The Review restates the AFLCIO position that the basic cause of the current "recessionary trend" is the lack of balance between growing ability to produce and lagging ability to consume, an imbalance that has been growing for two years.—AFLCIO News.

Ike fails to see jobless, is charge

WASHINGTON — President Eisenhower's economic report to Congress is "practically blind" to the importance of the current unemployment problem, AFLCIO Assistant Research Director Peter Henle told the Joint Congressional Economic Committee.

"Almost no attention is devoted to the unemployment question," he reiterated, "and in the critical section entitled 'Appraisal of the Current Economic Situation', the words 'employment' or 'unemployment' are not even mentioned."

"Organized labor very definitely feels that unemployment has become a problem of serious national concern."

Henle outlined the depth of unemployment and predicted that the January estimate of the number of jobless will be in the neighborhood of 4.4 to 4.6 million.

Even if the economy should improve rather quickly, as the President's report expects, he said, unemployment is likely to remain serious for some time to come.

"It seems fairly clear that unemployment is likely to be the last economic indicator to show any significant gain," he said.—AFLCIO News.

Jno. King managing Petris campaign

John J. King, Grand Lodge representative of the International Association of Machinists, and member of the Oakland Board of Education, has accepted appointment as chairman of the Nick Petris for Assembly, 15th District, campaign.

In accepting the chairmanship, King noted that Petris, an attorney, came from a labor background, and added that, "I feel Nick Petris has the training, education, vigor and leadership to make an outstanding Assemblyman."

King has been Grand Lodge representative since 1951. He is an alternate member of the San Francisco Regional Labor-Management Manpower Committee, and is on the Community Advisory Committee Institute of Industrial Relations, University of California. He has served on the Labor-Management sections of the Tool and Die Makers' Joint Apprenticeship Committee and the Oakland Public Schools Educational Advisory Committee. He was recently elected to the executive board of the California Democratic Council.

Labor people for Brown fund dinner

The reservations committee for the Edmund G. "Pat" Brown dinner to be held Friday, May 2, at Athens Athletic Club, has been appointed as announced by John J. Purchio, chairman of reservations. All persons contributing \$25.00 to the Brown campaign fund will be invited guests.

Serving on the committee are: Robert Ash, Donald P. Barrett, Mrs. Jean Bernal, Stafford P. Buckley, Joe W. Chaudet, J. Lamar Childers, Edwin A. Clancy, Jr., Daniel F. Cunningham, Manuel Dias, Stacy H. Dobrzensky, Eugene Elending, Varden Fuller, Lewis Howell, Joe Karren, John J. King, Robert H. Kroninger, Irving Loube, J. D. Maltester, Gordon W. Nelson, Charles A. Russell, John T. Schiavenza, Mrs. Clara Shipser, Robert G. Smith, Sam J. Whiting and John T. Williams.

State Democrats working for FEPC

California Democrats are urging immediate enactment of a fair employment practices law and defeat of "right-to-work" proposals to stop rising unemployment.

The board of directors of the California Democratic Council, meeting at the Hyatt House in Los Angeles commented on recent government data showing a continued rise of unemployment in March and that non-whites were worst hit by the employment slump:

"We urge our 40,000 club members to organize an effective campaign to tell local voters how 'right to work' laws have lowered per capita income in every state where enacted, and how discrimination is now being practiced in firing as well as hiring."

"Remind the voters that the Democrats were proposing solutions to the problems of economic recession before the recession began."

Office Employees 29 has okayed Engle, not Knight

President John Kinnick, Office Employees 29, announces that the union at its last meeting endorsed Engle for the U. S. Senate, but did not endorse Knight as did the LLPE. Also the local has won a 6-cent increase in a new contract with the laundry and cleaning industry.

HERE'S LATEST NEWS ON OUR PROSPERITY

More and more workers are losing their jobs, and there's nothing at present to give them much hope that they will get them back anytime soon.

That's the long and short of the latest economic news. In the week ending April 5, the latest date for which figures are available, the number of persons claiming unemployment compensation for the first time increased sharply. A record rate (7.9 percent) of working people who are covered by jobless insurance were collecting benefits in the week ending March 29. The total was upwards of 3,300,000. — Memo from COPE April 21

\$3.10 hourly wage rate is won by IAM

FARMINGDALE, L. I. — First fruits of 1958 bargaining with the aircraft and missile industry were plucked by the Machinists when settlement on a new agreement was reached with the Republic Aviation Corporation here.

The contract provides for a top labor rate of \$3.10 an hour, which is the highest in the industry. It gives the 6,100 members of IAM Lodge 1987 immediate pay boosts ranging from 10 to 14 cents an hour, with another 10 cents next April.

It also includes what is believed to be the first cost-of-living clause in the Long Island aircraft industry, yielding an increase of 1 cent an hour for every rise of one-half of 1 percent in the Consumer Price Index.—AFLCIO News.

No growling in 'lions den' as 'Daniel' defends his program

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Brown insisted that "if the Senator knew more about people, he would realize how ridiculous his charges are. Unfortunately, he is too grim and extremist to see that. Of course, the Senator could well have a complex that bosses run everything. Look what the checkbook bosses did to muscle an incumbent Republican Governor out of the way for him last fall!"

Brown said that he is "wholeheartedly against the proposed initiative to outlaw the union shop," that "collective bargaining can best be carried on if Government does not interfere with the present right—the present freedom — of an employer and his employees, when the latter act by secret majority vote, to agree (or disagree!) that anyone who is hired shall then bear his fair share of the cost of getting the benefits that are gained."

Brown contended that Knowland is "pitting class against class."

Referring to Knowland's gibe at him the previous day, Brown said that "as to the Senator's apparent need for information on my union democracy position, I wholeheartedly support democracy in unions in principle, in actuality, and in specific legislation that I have long pledged to press for enactment if elected Governor. But I do not support the Senator's part good, part vicious bill, just as the Eisenhower Administration decided not to support the Senator when it had its own quite separate measure introduced."

Brown in conclusion said that "as never before in the State's history, the battle has been joined this year between progress and reaction—between facing up to our problems and a man who would plunge the State backwards."

COPE's McDEVITT

James L. McDevitt, national director of COPE for the AFLCIO, said that labor has no desire to form a third party, but certainly intends to play a vigorous role in politics. He said few realize how far labor has already been set back by adverse legislation, and that the struggle over "right to work" in California is the result of a national pattern of reaction.

In New Hampshire and in Wisconsin, for instance, said McDevitt, they are amending the Corrupt Practices Act so that one union is denied the right to join another union in political activity. They are trying all over the country to drive the unions to the wall.

CLC Secretary Robert S. Ash was on the committee at Fresno interviewing the candidates, and Joseph Angelo of the Steelworkers and Ed Porreca of the Rubber Workers were on the general board.

Hayward City Councilman Floyd Attaway of Hayward Culinary 823 who has been elected Vice Mayor of Hayward by the City Council and newly elected Fremont City Councilman Ken Steadman of the Steelworkers were introduced to the convention by President Dias.

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Engle and Brown head up a powerful labor ticket

The Alameda County Council on Political Education (COPE), now has its ticket for the June primary in the field, and the job is to elect as many of the candidates as possible.

Naturally interest centers on the two top candidates, Congressman Clair Engle for U. S. Senator, and Attorney General Pat Brown for Governor. They are not only powerful candidates in their own right, but the tide of new registrations has been running strongly in the direction of their party. The Democrats are better organized in California than they have been for years. The Republicans have been disorganized by the operations of the Senator with the bulldozer, William F. Knowland.

It is reasonable to believe, too, that we may capture both seats in the House, and the seat in the State Senate. In the 8th Congressional District we expect to see Congressman George P. Miller returned to office, if his supporters remember, as they have in past years, that no election is a sure thing, and that one must work for every vote. In the 7th Congressional District, the Republican incumbent is undoubtedly going to "run scared" as he faces our able and popular City Councilman Jeffery Cohelan of Berkeley. And in the State Senate fight our candidate, Oakland City Councilman John Holmdahl, is a vigorous campaigner.

Engle, Brown, Miller, Cohelan, and Holmdahl have all waged successful campaigns in the past, and all now hold important offices. They are no Johnny-come-latelies, but are proven campaigners. If they are given the proper support in the campaign, and if our people turn out on election day, June 3, they should all place for the November general election, and some should settle the issue in the primary.

We certainly should be able to reelect our friends Carlos Bee, Robert Crown, and Byron Rumford in the 13th, 14th, and 17th Assembly Districts. In the 15th we have a strong new candidate, Nicholas Petris, and Winton McKibben in the 18th proved in the special election in that district that it is going to take a lot for the old district machine to beat him. In the 16th Wilma Hackett is working hard for victory.

Anyone familiar with politics in this area knows that our chances vary from district to district, yet informed followers of political events here are going to be very much surprised if we don't come out of this campaign with more people in the Legislature from Alameda County than we now have.

This is the year when the challenge to labor is great, and when the chances of our winning are great. Let's win!

Senator Daniel in the CIO den

Saturday Senator Knowland talked face to face with the CIO in Fresno, and Sunday in Oakland the Tribune published a letter on its editorial page attacking the "right to work" initiative proposal.

However little we may like the Senator, and especially his attitude toward the "right to work" proposal, the petition for which he had signed just before he went to Fresno, we give him due credit for political fortitude in appearing in the role of "Daniel in the lions den," to use his own description of the feat.

Also the CIO delegates deserve credit for treating Knowland with politeness, even though it was, naturally, of the icily silent variety. The same credit cannot be given to the other Fresno labor gathering which booed and ordered out of the hall a candidate for Congress because he said he was for Knowland and the "right to work" proposal. Surely organized labor should have enough self confidence by this time to be able to listen to a political foe in an orderly manner.

As for the Trib finally breaking down and running a letter against "right to work," we don't feel that very much credit is due for such belated fair play. This subject has been a political issue of the first magnitude for many months, with an owner of the paper involved in the battle. It was outrageous to send anti-"right to work" letters from the Tribune office to the Senator, so he could write directly to the letter writers, instead of publishing at least some of them in the paper.

Incidentally, if any credit is due in this matter, perhaps it is due to East Bay Labor Journal for keeping after the Trib for failure to publish such letters.

A GOVERNOR by one act can put labor in a bad spot for years to come, BTC Business Representative J. L. Childers pointed out recently. And Mathew O. Tobriner, labor attorney, told a gathering of building trades people in Fresno that not until Democratic Governor Culbert Olson twenty years ago appointed two new judges to the State Supreme Court did that distinguished body of jurists decide that a union shop contract was lawful.



TEACHERS NEEDED, NOT MERELY 'EDUCATORS'

At a recent meeting of the Alameda County Central Labor Council, Henry L. Clarke, national representative of the American Federation of Teachers, stated that the parents in Oakland were just as willing to pay for educating their children as were the parents in any other school district.

However, Clarke charged that the Board of Education and school administrators in Oakland have not been giving the true facts concerning education in their district to the taxpayers.

He said that it now was the duty and responsibility of the classroom teachers in Oakland to give the true facts to the parents and taxpayers concerning the education of their children.

The teacher union representative maintained that public education was still the best buy in this country. He said that the average parent should ask himself how much it would cost him to send his three children to a private school.

Clarke told East Bay Labor Journal that if each parent would realize how little it costs him to educate his children in the public schools that he would vote for twice the amount of the present tax rate in Oakland.

Clarke announced that he was in Oakland to help organize more teachers into the Oakland Federation of Teachers.

"Teachers are more responsible for the present crisis in public education than any other single group," declared Clarke. He maintained that teachers had allowed school administrators to coopt their power and to misuse

that power in offering the people and the teachers an ineffectual leadership in the guise of 'educators.'

According to Clarke, the only way the present crisis in education is going to be solved is by the teachers organizing into democratic unions and affiliating with the great American labor movement.

"If a majority of the classroom teachers of America had been organized and affiliated with the labor movement 25 years ago, there would be no real crisis facing public education today," declared the union representative.

Clarke announced that he would try to persuade the classroom teachers of Oakland "to recapture their power from the school administrators and help lead the people of Oakland in bringing about the best possible education for the children of this fine city."

The machine

As the machine eliminates the need for man to do back-breaking work, we welcome it. We approve the machine as it ends dirty, fatiguing and monotonous work. The fact is that we want to like the machine. But, frankly, we are afraid of it. We are afraid that it will throw people out of work. We are afraid that it will take away our jobs. We are afraid it will force us into the army of the unemployed.

This is the basis of our fear and concern about the machine. If a way can be shown for the machine to do what has been promised—create more jobs, assure higher living standards—we will embrace it gladly and we will give it loving care. Much leisure can be provided for all of us, and this can be made creative leisure if the machine is made our slave. But we must be certain of income. We must be sure to get the benefits of the machine's work.

We know, however, that the machine is the slave of the corporation that owns it. We have no right to its production except as the corporation provides us with pay to buy those products.

We know from sad experience that such income will not be given to us if corporate profits are higher with machines rather than with men.—Ralph Helstein, president, United Packinghouse Workers of America—

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GLENN HOOVER ON BEN RUST SCHOOL IDEAS

Editor, Labor Journal:

Dear Sir:

In your issue of April 4, Ben Rust, President of the State Federation of Teachers, proposes that the State should increase its support of the local public schools by some \$200 million per year. He notes that it is now common for voters to refuse to permit their school district officials to either raise school taxes or issue more school bonds. His explanation is that formerly "only the rich could afford to buy a house", but, thanks to Roosevelt, "practically every steady worker now purchases a home", and is being "taxed to the hilt."

It is true that when our schools were supported entirely by local property taxes, there was a smaller percentage of home owners than now. However, the renters in those bad old days, whether they knew it or not, paid the taxes on the houses they lived in, just as they paid for the labor and materials that went in to their construction. If, as he says, workers are now better off than their fathers, it follows that the workers of today are more able to contribute to the support of their local schools.

In any case, what reason is there to believe that workers now would be better off if more of our local school costs were transferred to the State? If it contributes to the support of our local schools it must first get the money from local taxpayers—for there is no other kind. It is true that we have no State property tax, and that State school funds are derived, almost exclusively, from the sales tax. However, this is a tax which most workers, for good reasons, view with suspicion or even open hostility.

It may be said that the alternative to higher taxes on property is not higher taxes on sales, but higher income taxes—in the best "soak-the-rich" tradition. As no such program would ever increase the taxes on retired teachers, I am not squealing. However, as a realist I consider the chance of getting such a program through our undemocratic, cow-county-controlled Legislature to be almost nil. Moreover, unless the "rich" are defined in such a way as to include most of our higher paid workers, the program would not produce the amount of revenue needed.

Schools and other public services increase the value of land. Justice requires that we should take that socially created value to maintain our schools etc., rather than impose taxes on either the production or the sale of the products of labor. Our houses are admittedly taxed too much, but our land is taxed too little.

Sincerely yours,
GLENN E. HOOVER
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THE SCANDAL

Konrad Adenauer once said to a friend that God had made a great mistake in limiting the intelligence of man but not his stupidity. We are reminded of the remark in view of the amount of space devoted in the press to the latest Hollywood scandal.—The Monitor, S. F. Catholic weekly.

ADJUSTMENT

Our schools now have other and more pressing responsibilities than student adjustment. It is time to shift the emphasis back to subject matter.—Senator Frank Church (D., Ida.)